

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) Congressman Tim Ryan (D-Niles) announced today that he secured three federal earmarks in a House spending bill which will fund projects in Summit and Portage Counties.

The Transportation Appropriations bill, which passed the House of Representatives on Wednesday night, contains \$300,000 to make improvements to Bowery Street in Akron (between Main Street and State Street); \$500,000 to purchase two heavy duty transit buses for the Portage Area Regional Transit Authority; and \$300,000 for the Kent State University Multimodal Transportation Facility.

**"Each of these projects will advance the quality-of-life in the City of Akron and Portage County," said Ryan. "I'm very pleased that my colleagues on the Appropriation Committee saw the importance and value of granting these funds."**

The Transportation Appropriations bill now awaits passage by the Senate.